

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1, 7 and 11, and add new Claims 16-21 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:
  - a liquid crystal panel;
  - a light guiding plate for illuminating the liquid crystal panel;
  - a frame on which the liquid crystal panel is mounted;
  - a bezel including an upper wall which covering covers a periphery of the liquid crystal panel and has an opening through which a display portion of the liquid crystal panel is exposed to the outside, and a side wall bent from the upper wall and covering a side wall of the frame;
  - ~~a frame on which the liquid crystal panel is mounted;~~
  - a screw connecting athe side wall of the bezel to the frame; and
  - a rear cover for housing the light guiding plate from a bottom side of the light guiding plate,
  - the rear cover having an extended portion which extends from a back side of the light guiding plate beyond a position of the screw, wherein the extended portion and which has a hole through which said screw passes, and wherein the extended portion is formed between the side wall of the frame and the side wall of the bezel.

2. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the frame has a threaded hole in which the screw is engaged.

3. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the frame surrounds the light guiding plate.

4. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the frame has a positioning means for positioning the liquid crystal panel.

5. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein said portion of the rear cover extends to a front surface of the bezel and the bezel has a hole in which said portion of the rear cover can be fitted.

6. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein a control circuit board connected to the liquid crystal panel is arranged between the side wall of the bezel and the frame.

7. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device, comprising:  
a liquid crystal panel;  
a light guiding plate for illuminating the liquid crystal panel;  
a frame on which the liquid crystal panel is mounted;  
a bezel including an upper wall which covering covers a periphery of the

liquid crystal panel and has an opening through which a display portion of the liquid crystal panel is exposed to the outside, and a side wall bent from the upper wall and covering a side wall of the frame;

~~a frame on which the liquid crystal panel is mounted;~~

a screw connecting ~~at~~the side wall of the bezel to the frame;

a rear cover for housing the light guiding plate from a bottom side of the light guiding plate, and having an extended portion which extends from~~provided on~~ a rear surface of the light guiding plate toward a lower end of the frame; and

a fixing member securing ~~at~~the extended portion of the rear cover and ~~at~~the side wall of the bezel together.

8. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the fixing member is arranged on an axis substantially passing through the screw, as viewed from a direction orthogonal to the liquid crystal panel.

9. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the frame has a threaded hole in which the screw is screwed.

10. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the fixing member is made of an elastically deformable clip.

11. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the fixing member has a first portion extending along the side surface of the frame and a second portion extending along the side surface of the bezel, said first portion being provided with a threaded hole to be engaged with the screw, said second portion being provided with a hole in which the screw is inserted, the screw being engaged in a threaded hole of the frame and the threaded hole of the first portion of the ~~supporting~~fixing member, through the hole of the second portion of the fixing member and the hole of the side wall of the bezel.

12. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the frame surrounds the light guiding plate.

13. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein a light source and a reflector are provided on the side of the light guiding plate.

14. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the frame has a means for positioning the liquid crystal panel and the bezel.

15. (Original) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein a control circuit board connected to the liquid crystal panel is located between the side wall of the bezel and the frame.

16. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 1, wherein the bezel, the extended portion, and the frame are in contact with one another at least at a periphery of portions connected together by the screw.

17. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 6, wherein the bezel, the control circuit board, the extended portion, and the frame are in contact with one another in this order at least at a periphery of portions connected together by the screw.

18. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the fixing member sandwiches and secures the extended portion of the rear cover and the side wall of the bezel.

19. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the fixing member sandwiches and secures the extended portion of the rear cover and the side wall of the bezel along a direction of thickness of the rear cover and the bezel.

20. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 7, wherein the bezel, the extended portion, and the frame are in contact with one another at least at portions secured by the fixing member.

21. (New) A liquid crystal display device according to claim 15, wherein the bezel, the control circuit board, the extended portion, and the frame are in contact with one another in this direction at least at a portion secured by the fixing member.